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(57) Abstract  Provided are methods and compositions related to use of OB proteins for treatment of conditions related to blood lipid levels. Such methods and compositions include those useful for the treatment of high cholesterol, high triglyceride levels, arterial plaque, hypertension, and prevention of gall stone formation.			